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STEEL RESTRICTIONS

REFS: (A) GENEVA 3422; (B) GENEVA 3527; (C) GENEVA 3543;
(D) BONN 7923

1. ZENITH CASE. ACCORDING TO COMMISSION SOURCES, EC PLANS
TO MAKE RELATIVELY LOW KEY STATEMENT, AFTER JAPANESE HAVE
SPOKEN, UNDERLINING ITS OBJECTION TO COURT FINDINGS IN
ZENITH CASE. AT THIS STAGE, AT LEAST, COMMISSION DOES NOT
EXPECT TO USE THE OCCASION AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
ATTACK US COUNTERVAILING DUTY LEGISLATION. FURTHER DISCUSSION
OF THIS SUBJECT WILL TAKE PLACE IN BRUSSELS AT 113 COMMITTEE
MEETING ON MAY 12. LIKE GENEVA (REF B), WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY
UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND THE US COUNTERVAILING
DUTY LAW.

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2. SPECIALTY STEEL RESTRICTIONS. COMMISSION CONFIRMED THAT
IT IS CONSIDERING MAKING A "NON-POLEMIC" STATEMENT
AT GATT COUNCIL BUT HAS NOT YET DECIDED TO DO SO.
COMMISSION IS HOPEFUL THAT US DECISION TO REQUEST
ITC REVIEW WILL HAVE BEEN TAKEN BEFORE GATT COUNCIL,
IN WHICH CASE A STATEMENT WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE
APPROPRIATE. ANOTHER FACTOR IS JAPAN; SHOULD JAPANESE

RAISE THE QUESTION, EC COULD NOT BE SILENT.HINTON

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